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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Dear Sir:

Kindly enter the following Remarks in response to the Final Rejection bearing a mailing date of April 17, 2001. A Notice of Appeal is being filed on the same date that these Remarks are being submitted.

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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